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The Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

National Intelligence Council

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA:

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Director, Public Affairs Office

FROM:

Fritz W. Ermarth

Chairman

SUBJECT:

Speaking Request

- 1. I request your permission to accept an invitation to speak to the "Western Regional Council," an association of business executives from the western states, on the subject Gorbachev's reforms. I would be joining two other well-known academic authorities in an off-the-record (no press) panel discussion (see TAB A).
- 2. Since the hosts request an informal interchange rather than a prepared speech, I would expect to play my part on the basis of Bob Gates' excellent presentation of 19 January to the Dallas Council on World Affairs (see TAB B). The setting probably will offer an opportunity to get in some plugs for the Agency and the Community, where I shall take my guidance from your recent public speeches. No sensitive intelligence or policy problems should be encountered. Host will cover expenses if necessary.

	Fritz W. Ermarth
Attachments: As stated	
CONCUR:	
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